

WAIVERS FROM STRICT COMPLIANCE WITH THE LISTING RULES

In preparation for the [REDACTED], we have sought the following waivers from strict compliance with the relevant provisions of the Listing Rules.

WAIVER IN RELATION TO MANAGEMENT PRESENCE IN HONG KONG

According to Rule 8.12 of the Listing Rules, an issuer must have a sufficient management presence in Hong Kong and, under normal circumstances, at least two of the issuer’s executive directors must be ordinarily resident in Hong Kong. Rule 19A.15 of the Listing Rules further provides that the requirement in Rule 8.12 may be waived by having regard to, among other considerations, the applicant’s arrangements for maintaining regular communication with the Stock Exchange.

Our core business and operations are substantially based and conducted in the PRC and most of the Company’s assets are located in the PRC. Further, all of the Company’s executive Directors are based in the PRC, as the Board believes it would be more effective and efficient for its executive Directors to be based in a location where the Company’s operations are conducted. It would be practically difficult and commercially unnecessary for us to relocate two of our executive Directors to Hong Kong for the purpose of satisfying the requirements under Rule 8.12 of the Listing Rules, either by means of relocation of our existing executive Directors or appointment of additional executive Directors. Therefore, our Company does not have, and does not contemplate in the foreseeable future that we will have sufficient management presence in Hong Kong for the purpose of satisfying the requirements under Rule 8.12 of the Listing Rules.

Accordingly, pursuant to Rule 19A.15 of the Listing Rules, we have applied to the Stock Exchange for, and the Stock Exchange [has granted] a waiver from strict compliance with the requirements set out in Rule 8.12 of the Listing Rules. In order to maintain effective communication with the Stock Exchange, we have put in place the following measures in order to achieve regular communication with the Stock Exchange:

- (a) **Authorized Representatives:** we have appointed Mr. Xu, an executive Director, and Ms. CHAN Wing Yan (陳詠欣) (“**Ms. Chan**”), one of our joint company secretaries, as the authorized representatives of our Company (the “**Authorized Representatives**”) for the purpose of Rule 3.05 of the Listing Rules, who will act as our principal channel of communication with the Stock Exchange. The Authorized Representatives will be readily contactable by phone and email to deal promptly with enquiries from the Stock Exchange. Although Mr. Xu resides in the PRC, he possesses or can apply for valid travel documents and is able to renew such travel documents when they expire in order to visit Hong Kong, whilst Ms. Chan ordinarily resides in Hong Kong. Our Company will provide contact details of the Authorized Representatives to the Stock Exchange and will inform the Stock Exchange as soon as practicable in respect of any changes in Authorized Representatives. Accordingly, our Authorized Representatives will be able to meet with the relevant members of the Stock Exchange to discuss any matters in relation to our Company within a reasonable period of time. See “Directors and Senior Management” for further biographical details of our Authorized Representatives;
- (b) **Directors:** to facilitate communication with the Stock Exchange, we have provided the Authorized Representatives and the Stock Exchange with the contact details of our Directors (i.e. mobile phone number, office phone number and email address). In the event that any of our Directors expects to travel or otherwise be out of office, he or she will provide the phone number of the place of his/her accommodation to the Authorized Representatives, so that the Authorized Representatives would be able to contact all our Directors (including the independent non-executive Directors) promptly at all times if and when the Stock Exchange wishes to contact our Directors. To the best of our knowledge and information, each Director who is not ordinarily resident in Hong Kong possesses or can apply for valid travel documents to visit Hong Kong and can meet with the Stock Exchange within a reasonable period after requested by the Stock Exchange; and

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- (c) **Compliance Advisor:** we have appointed Altus Capital Limited as our compliance advisor (the “**Compliance Advisor**”) in compliance with Rule 3A.19 of the Listing Rules. The Compliance Advisor will, among other things and in addition to the Authorized Representatives, provide us with professional advice on continuing obligations under the Listing Rules and act as additional channel of communication of our Company with the Stock Exchange during the period from the [REDACTED] to the date on which our Company complies with Rule 13.46 of the Listing Rules in respect of our financial results for the first full financial year immediately after the [REDACTED]. The Compliance Advisor will be available to answer enquiries from the Stock Exchange and will act as an additional channel of communication with the Stock Exchange when the Authorized Representatives are not available.

WAIVER IN RELATION TO JOINT COMPANY SECRETARIES

Rule 8.17 of the Listing Rules provides that our Company must appoint a company secretary who satisfies the requirements under Rule 3.28 of the Listing Rules. According to Rule 3.28 of the Listing Rules, our Company must appoint an individual, who, by virtue of his/her academic or professional qualifications or relevant experience, is, in the opinion of the Stock Exchange, capable of discharging the functions of company secretary. Pursuant to Note 1 to Rule 3.28 of the Listing Rules, the Stock Exchange considers the following academic or professional qualifications to be acceptable:

(a) a member of The Hong Kong Chartered Governance Institute; (b) a solicitor or barrister (as defined in the Legal Practitioners Ordinance (Chapter 159 of the Laws of Hong Kong)); and (c) a certified public accountant (as defined in the Professional Accountants Ordinance (Chapter 50 of the Laws of Hong Kong)).

In addition, pursuant to Note 2 to Rule 3.28 of the Listing Rules, in assessing “relevant experience”, the Stock Exchange will consider the individual’s:

(a) length of employment with the issuer and other issuers and the roles he/she played; (b) familiarity with the Listing Rules and other relevant laws and regulations including the Securities and Futures Ordinance, Companies Ordinance, Companies (Winding Up and Miscellaneous Provisions) Ordinance and the Takeovers Code; (c) relevant training taken and/or to be taken in addition to the minimum requirement under Rule 3.29 of the Listing Rules; and (d) professional qualifications in other jurisdictions.

We have appointed Ms. WANG Xixi (王習習) (“**Ms. Wang**”) and Ms. Chan as the joint company secretaries of our Company. See “Directors and Senior Management — Joint Company Secretaries” for their biographies. Ms. Chan is a fellow of The Chartered Governance Institute (formerly known as The Institute of Chartered Secretaries and Administrators) in the United Kingdom and The Hong Kong Chartered Governance Institute (formerly known as The Hong Kong Institute of Chartered Secretaries), and therefore meets the qualification requirements under Rule 3.28 of the Listing Rules and is in compliance with Rule 8.17 of the Listing Rules.

Accordingly, while Ms. Wang does not possess the qualification required of a company secretary under Rule 3.28 of the Listing Rules, we have applied to the Stock Exchange for, and the Stock Exchange [has granted], a waiver from strict compliance with the requirements under Rules 3.28 and 8.17 of the Listing Rules on the basis of the arrangements below:

- (a) Ms. Wang will endeavor to attend relevant training courses, including briefings on the latest changes to the relevant applicable Hong Kong laws and regulations and the Listing Rules which will be organized by our Company’s Hong Kong legal advisors on an invitation basis and seminars organized by the Stock Exchange for [REDACTED] issuers from time to time;

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- (b) Both Ms. Wang and Ms. Chan have confirmed that each of them will attend a total of no less than 15 hours of training courses on the Listing Rules, corporate governance, information disclosure, investor relation as well as the functions and duties of the company secretary of a Hong Kong [REDACTED] issuer during each financial year as required under Rule 3.29 of the Listing Rules;
- (c) Ms. Chan will assist Ms. Wang to enable her to acquire the relevant experience (as required under Rule 3.28 of the Listing Rules) to discharge the duties and responsibilities as the company secretary of our Company;
- (d) Ms. Chan will communicate regularly with Ms. Wang on matters relating to corporate governance, the Listing Rules and any other laws and regulations which are relevant to our Company and its affairs. Ms. Chan will work closely with Ms. Wang to jointly discharge the duties and responsibilities as a company secretary, including organizing our Company's Board meetings and Shareholders' meetings;
- (e) Prior to the expiry of Ms. Wang's initial term of appointment as the company secretary of our Company, we will re-evaluate her experience to determine if she has acquired the qualifications required under Rules 3.28 of the Listing Rules, and whether on-going assistance should be arranged so that Ms. Wang's appointment as the company secretary of our Company continues to satisfy the requirements under Rules 3.28 and 8.17 of the Listing Rules; and
- (f) Our Company has appointed Altus Capital Limited as its Compliance Advisor pursuant to Rule 3A.19 of the Listing Rules which will act as the additional communication channel with the Stock Exchange (for a period commencing on the [REDACTED] and ending on the date on which the Company complies with Rule 13.46 of the Listing Rules in respect of its financial results for the first full financial year immediately after the [REDACTED], or until the engagement is terminated, whichever is earlier) and provide professional guidance and advice to the Company (including Ms. Wang) as to the compliance with the Listing Rules and all other applicable laws and regulations.

Accordingly, we have applied to the Stock Exchange for, and the Stock Exchange [has granted] us, a waiver from strict compliance with Rules 3.28 and 8.17 of the Listing Rules. Such waiver will be revoked immediately if and when (i) Ms. Wang is no longer assisted by a person with qualifications under Rules 3.28 and 8.17 of the Listing Rules, or (ii) if there are material breaches of the Listing Rules by our Company. Before the end of the three-year period, we shall demonstrate to the Stock Exchange's satisfaction and seek its confirmation that Ms. Wang, having had the benefit of Ms. Chan's assistance during the three-year period, has attained the relevant experience under Note 2 to Rule 3.28 of the Listing Rules and is capable of discharging the functions of company secretary so that a further waiver would not be necessary.